

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Kazuya ODA et al.

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Art Unit: 2622

For: Solid-state image pickup apparatus with  
influence of shading reduced and a method of  
controlling the same

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Examiner: C. J. Quiett

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 10, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 4-9 and 11-16, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims**

**Remarks**